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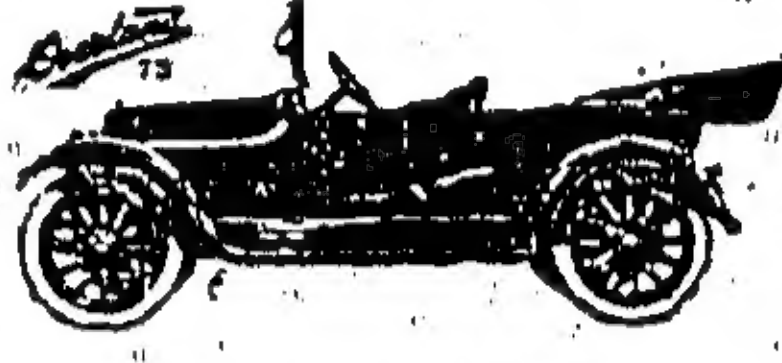
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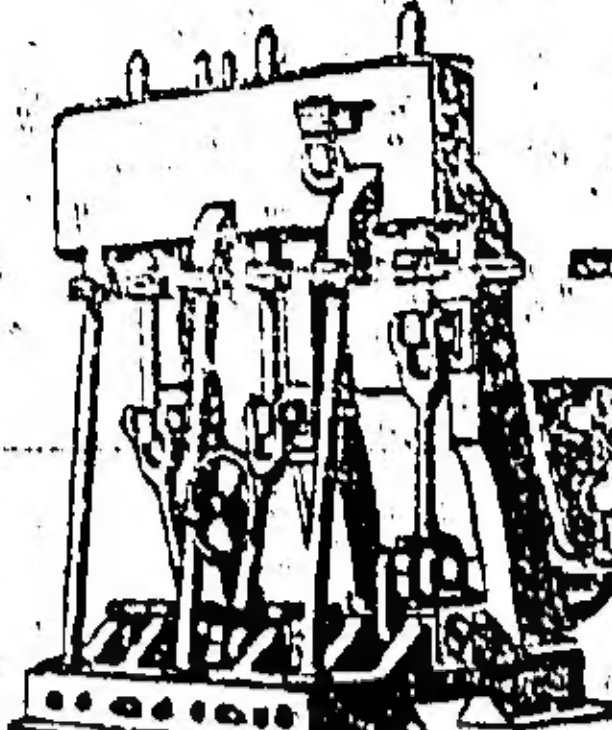
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE AIR-RAIDS.
RAID ON SHEERNESS AND CHATHAM BY ONE AEROPLANE.
London, Sept. 5.
The air raid on Sheerness and the Chatham area on September 3rd, was undertaken by a single aeroplane, probably a Gotha machine. It arrived at the time when people were coming out of places of amusement.
Ten bombs were dropped. Only one fell on the Chatham Naval barracks, but it struck the building where the naval ratings were sleeping in hammocks.
The raider was not seen, but the engines of the machine were heard.
Despite the havoc, the behaviour of the naval ratings was as if they were on the quarter deck in peace time.

THE OFFICIAL REPORT.
London, Sept. 5.
A British official report states that a considerable number of aeroplanes crossed the south-east coast, over a wide area, last night. The raiders travelled singly or in groups, rendering an estimate of their number difficult, but there were possibly 20.
The first bombs were dropped on the London district at a quarter to twelve, and continued till forty minutes past one in the morning. Bombs were also dropped on the coast.
The casualties are reported as being nine killed and 40 injured, and the damage is not extensive.
One machine was brought down in the sea at Sheerness.

THE GERMAN REPORT.
A German official message, transmitted by wireless, states:—
There has been vigorous day and night aerial activity.
We bombed Dover, Boulogne and Calais and have shot down 22 aeroplanes.

LONDON RAIDED BY "A DROVE OF AEROPLANES."
London, Sept. 5.
London has had its first experience of a moonlight aeroplane raid. Owing to the late hour, few people were about and the first indication that something was happening was the calling out of the special constables. Then, at 11.45, came the dull boom of the distant guns soon intermingled with the crashing of bombs from a drove of aeroplanes.
Although the moon was shining brightly there was a slight haze, rendering the aircraft invisible to the ordinary observer.
Unofficial reports speak of heavy firing at the mouth of the Thames where explosions were heard continuously for twenty-five minutes.
The raiders flew up-river and returned an hour later.
The "all clear" signal was given in London at 1.30 a.m.
The raiders were plainly visible at Hampstead where the sky was clearer. Several bombs were heard to fall in rapid succession and shells were seen bursting high in the air. One of the searchlights picked up one of the raiders and held it for some minutes until the anti-aircraft guns, in the same area, opened fire.
There was no panic among the inhabitants but large numbers of women and children rushed for the shelter of the Tube stations.
Some of the bombs as they fell caused a sharp whistling sound and the explosions were louder than those of the bombs dropped by Zeppelins.
Although the searchlights did not hold the raiders for long, their progress could be marked by a line of bomb flashes.
The number of the raiders is estimated at eight or ten.
Apparently, there were three distinct attacking squadrons. Shortly after the first returned towards the sea, a second appeared, followed by a third, which flew around until nearly one in the morning.
The groups appear to have remained twenty minutes over the various districts.
According to an eye-witness, one hostile aircraft was struck.
A number of British machines went aloft and were seen manoeuvring for battle, but the haze obscured the results.
Forty bombs were dropped on the London district.

THE CASUALTIES.
The Press Bureau announces that the air raid casualties are 11 killed and 62 injured.

FURTHER RAIDS ON BRUGES DOCKS.
London, Sept. 5.
The Admiralty announces:—
We raided on Monday night Bruges docks and Varsseveld and Ghislies aerodromes. We dropped many tons of bombs, with good results.
We again raided Bruges docks yesterday morning, hitting many sheds and causing fires.
We shot down one aeroplane, and all our machines returned safely.

ENEMY SUBMARINE SHELLS. SCARBOROUGH.
London, Sept. 5.
A British official message states:—
A submarine appeared off Scarborough yesterday evening and fired thirty rounds, half of which fell on land.
Three people were killed and five were injured.
The damage was slight.

OPERATIONS IN PALESTINE.
INTENSE BOMBARDMENT BY THE BRITISH.
London, Sept. 5.
A Turkish communiqué states:—
There was intense bombardment of our positions at Gaza.

THE OPERATIONS IN EAST AFRICA.
PURSING THE ENEMY.
London, Sept. 5.
An official message from East Africa states:—
An Anglo-Belgian column from Iringa has effected a junction with the Belgians from Kilosa.
The Belgians crossed the Uluang towards Mahenge.
We inflicted severe losses on the enemy, who is retreating towards Mahenge.
Many of the enemy are surrendering in the southern area.

ITALIAN EVACUATION OF GREEK TERRITORY.
Athens, Sept. 5.
The Italian Commander in Chief in the Epirus has been ordered to evacuate Epirus territory. The cavalry has already left Janina.
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By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 6, 1917.

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

9.15 a.m.—Frawley Co. in "Paid in
full" and Vandeville.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

9.30 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the
Victoria Recreation Club.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Sept. 8.—
10.45 a.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous
Stock at Messrs. Hughes and
Houghton.

9 p.m.—Night Fete at the Y.R.C.

TUESDAY, Sept. 11.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture,
Pictures, Bath Sheets, Piano, etc.,
at Messrs. Hughes and Houghton.

SAUNDAY, Sept. 14.—
University Re-opens.

3.30 p.m.—Gymkhana at Happy Valley.

MONDAY, Sept. 17.—
Jewish year 5678 begins.

SATURDAY, Sept. 29.—
Noon.—Douglas Steamship Co's
Meeting.

THE CHINA MAIL.

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THE ENEMY AIR-RAIDS.

THE "practicable steps" which were
taken some seven or eight weeks ago
to improve the defences of London
against attack by enemy aeroplanes,
have not succeeded in keeping the
enemy raiders from the British
metropolis and it is probable that no
steps that can ever be devised will
fully achieve that object. We
have only to think for a moment of
what is daily happening on the
battle-front. Aeroplanes belonging
to one or other of the belligerents are
constantly flying over lines where
the arrangements for defence against
aircraft may be assumed to be as
complete as the wit of man can
devise. For example, British air
squadrons are constantly bombing
Bruges, Zeebrugge, and the whole
German military organisation on the
Belgian coast. We can be quite
sure that the Germans have done
all they know to prevent this, yet
we hear nearly every week of success-
ful British operations in this region,
and seldom is a British machine lost.
And what is constantly happening
on that small sector of the front is
occurring almost daily on other
sectors of the line; yet, whenever a
raid is made upon England there
is an outcry because the defences
along the coast fail to prevent
them, or because, once the raiders
get inland, the defensive arrange-
ments are not such as to absolutely
ensure the destruction of every one
of them. Mr. LLOYD GEORGE, when
he received a deputation on the
subject after the last important
enemy raid, in the month of
July, declared that every reason-
able precaution had been taken
for the defence of London
against bombing attacks by air, and
he added that "whatever practicable
steps can be taken along the lines of
improving the defence of London are
being taken." We do not doubt
that in the two months which have
since elapsed many new steps have
been taken; yet enemy raiders have
come again, dropped their bombs and
departed with a smaller percentage
of loss apparently than in the July raid
when out of 22 machines that came
over four were brought down; which,
as the Premier told the deputation
which waited upon him, is "not a
bad achievement" and compares very
favourably with the achievements of
the Germans in France. In the
present raid, in which it is estimated
that twenty machines took part,
only one is reported to have been
brought down, and even that is not
a bad achievement when we compare
it with some German records. Just
before Mr. LLOYD GEORGE received
the deputation to which we have
alluded, 84 French machines had
crossed the German lines, and the
Germans managed to bring down
only two. No doubt many of the
French machines were huddled with
bullets and rendered unfit to go up
again, without being completely
overhauled and made good; and no
doubt that is the case with many
of the German machines which have

just raided England. Mr. LLOYD
GEORGE told the deputation which
waited upon him that he realised
that there was a special case for
defending London, even in comparison
with other towns, as it gave the
enemy special satisfaction to be able
to bomb the capital city of their
most hated enemy; and the Govern-
ment were acting on that assump-
tion; but they must put the
safety of the soldiers at the front
first. If anyone said "Ourselves
first and our soldiers afterwards,"
he said plainly, they had better
find another Government. "I am
the last man in the world (he con-
tinued) to think lightly of the deaths
of these poor people; but if you
take all the casualties that have
occurred from the beginning of the
war from hostile aircraft, they are
not as great as the casualties suffered
by our soldiers in a small battle in
France. A single counter-attack in
France by the Germans on a small
scale produces casualties greater
than the whole of the casualties
sustained by the civilian population,
not merely in London, but in
every town in Great Britain
during the three years of the war."
That is doubtless true, but while the
public must view these things in
their proper perspective and recognise
that the Commander-in-Chief at the
front needs all the aeroplanes he
can get, in order that the necessary
scrutiny may be made of every yard
of ground over which an advance is
contemplated; the moral of it all
is the need for more, and still more,
aeroplanes—a supply which will be
adequate to meet the needs of the
Commander-in-Chief at the front,
and the Commander-in-Chief at home,
who is responsible for the proper
defence of the capital which it gives
the enemy special satisfaction to
bomb. But even before that
desideratum may be fully met, the
demand will continue to be made
with ever-increasing insistence for
reprisals upon Berlin and other
German towns, and, reluctant as
the Government may be to yield to
this demand, the Ministers will be
more than human if they can remain
deaf to the appeals which arise in
growing volume every time the
capital is bombed and civilians—
men, women and children—are killed
or maimed.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Members of the V.R.C. are remind-
ed of the Annual Meeting to be held in
the Club's gymnasium to-morrow after-
noon at half-past-five.

Exchange was up another half
penny this morning, being 3s. 1½d. d/d.
Exchange has risen 6d. in the last two
months. Not since 1891 has Exchange
stood so high as it does to-day.

Last night's telegram from the
Manila Observatory reported a typhoon
E. of Luzon, less than 300 miles distant,
almost stationary. A further telegram,
received this afternoon reports the
typhoon to be in about 127° Long. E.
and 19° Lat. N. moving N.

The half-yearly report of the
Singapore Sporting Club shows that
during the six months \$15,000 was
contributed to various charities. The
balance at bank was \$32,424. The
general receipts totalled \$39,714 and
stakes at the Spring meeting amounted
to \$12,800.

The draw of a Raffle organised
by "Our Little Bit" Society for a
special fund resulted as fol-
lows:—Ticket No. 278, 1st prize;
ticket No. 127, 2nd prize; ticket No.
86, 3rd prize. The fund benefited to
the extent of \$197.00.

There is no longer any fear of a
shortage of water in the Colony. The
rainfall this year has been more than
five inches above the average, and the
Water Return issued to-day shows that
on the 1st inst. there were 1,612
millions of gallons in storage as
compared with 671 millions on
the same date last year. In every
reservoir there is a large increase, but
especially in the new Tytan Tank
reservoir, which is now fast approaching
completion. In this reservoir alone
there were 225 millions as compared
with 119 millions on the same date last
year. At Kowloon the water in storage
is given as 352.50 millions of gallons as
compared with 349.89 millions last
year.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

["Chinese Mail" Service.]

CANTON AND THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

PEKING, Sept. 5.
A report emanating from official
circles, states that Chan Ping Kwan, the
Tukwan of Canton, is in constant tele-
graphic communication with the Central
Government.

A telegram from Canton states that
Luk Wing Ting has resigned the post
of Assistant Generalissimo.

Lung Chai Kwong's request to be
allowed to go to Peking has been
refused.

THE PROVISIONAL SENATE.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5.
It has again been definitely decided
to convene a Provisional Senate, and a
proclamation will be issued accordingly
on receipt of a telegram from Li Hoi
Sun stating that he has secured Luk
Wing Ting's concurrence.

AN INTERVIEW WITH THE MINISTER OF FINANCE.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5.
Liang Kai Chiu has told a newspaper
representative that the Allies have
agreed to defer payment of the Boxer
indemnity.

He will appoint a committee to
discuss the question of the valuation
of goods with a view to revising the
customs tariff.

He also added that he would devise
means for the reform of the currency.

CHINA AND THE WAR.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5.
It is reported that the Government
has telegraphed to the provinces sound-
ing their opinion regarding joining the
belligerents.

THE DISTURBANCES IN SZECHUAN.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5.
The Government has made plans to
settle the trouble in Szechuan and it is
reported that Chow Tau Kong and Lou
Chien Hao will join hands.

Foo Ling Jao has telegraphed that the
Central Government stating that he is
in Wuchang, conferring with Wang Jim
Yuen, and will proceed to Hunan in a
few days, and will stay at Yochow.

A KWANGTUNG APPOINTMENT.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 5.
The Cabinet has decided to appoint
Tien Sung Pen, Financial Commissioner
of Kwangtung.

THE MAILS.

From the General Post Office we
have received the following:—

The *s.s. Empress of Japan*, with
the Canadian mail, is due to arrive
here on Friday, the 7th inst., 7 a.m.

The *s.s. Chienan*, with the Siberian
mail, is due to arrive here on Friday,
the 7th inst.

THE THEATRE ROYAL.

"SUNDAY."

In spite of the inclement weather,
the Frawley Company played to a good
house last night, when they presented
"Sunday."

"Sunday" is the name of a girl,
brought up from her childhood in a
township in the "back of beyond" in
North America, by four rough and
ready but superb types of men.

Miss Eva Lang, in the title role,
gave a delightful representation of
what a girl in the circumstances would
be and she was ably supported by the
other members of the Company who
played up to her in excellent style,
particularly Mr. Halliday, who had to
undertake two parts, rendered exten-
sively difficult by reason of the fact that
first of all he had to represent the
rascally son of an old English family,
and later, the staid and highly respected
brother; and he carried out the im-
portations of these two directly opposed
characters to perfection.

To-night the Frawleys present "Paid
in Full" and Vandeville, which closes
their season in Hongkong, and those
who have not yet paid a visit to the
Frawleys should not miss this last
opportunity. It will be a long time
before the Colony has the opportunity
of seeing as good a Company and we do
not think it will ever see a better.

It should be remembered that the
curtain rises at 9 p.m., sharp, to-night.

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the most stubborn cases of dysentery.
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eases in children. For sale by all
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THE MAGISTRACY.

ALLEGED THEFT FROM AN AMAH.

An unemployed Chinese was accused
of stealing one rattan basket containing
one pair gold mounted rattan bangles
valued at \$20, one gold ring valued at
\$7, and a quantity of clothing and
sundry articles valued at \$28; in all to
the total value of \$55, the property of
an amah employed at No. 3 Aimer
Villas, Kowloon.

Inspector Kent applied for a remand,
saying the police were not prepared to
go on with the case, and wanted
time in which to recover all the stolen
articles.

Mr. Dyer Ball granted the application
and remanded the case to Thursday
next, the 13th inst.

LARCENY OF JACK FRUIT.

Before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning a
Chinese was charged with stealing
jack-fruit, the property of the
Mahomedan mosque at 30 Shelley
Street.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.
Evidence given by the inmates of the
mosque disclosed the fact that frequent
larcenies of this fruit have taken
place recently but they were unable
to effect an arrest. One of the
witnesses saw the defendant on the
jack-fruit tree plucking the fruit.
The tree was within the mosque's
boundary. He went to the foot of the
tree and saw three pieces of fruit lying
on the ground. He ordered the defend-
ant to come down and he arrested him.
Defendant in his evidence said he
only ran under the tree to take shelter
from the rain. He had gone there to
get some herbs for drug purposes.

Defendant had a previous conviction
for larceny, being confined for 6 weeks
hard labour.

After further evidence His Worship
imposed a sentence of three months
hard labour.

RETURNING FROM BANISH- MENT.

In Mr. Wood's Court this morning a
Chinese coolie was charged with
returning from banishment before his
banishment period had expired. It
happened that the defendant was ar-
rested for the larceny of two baskets of
coal yesterday, and the police on look-
ing up the records found that he had
been banished from the Colony for 10
years on the 12th August last year.

His Worship sentenced the defendant
to two years' hard labour.

CHARGE OF HARBOURING A GIRL.

A Chinese woman, described as a
widow, was charged before Mr. Dyer
Ball this morning, with unlawfully
receiving or harbouring a young
unmarried girl aged 15 years, without
the consent of her parents or those left
in charge of her.

The girl was the daughter of a
fisherman at Shauiwan, and it was
stated that two years ago the man
became heavily indebted to another
Chinese and he left his daughter as a
pledge. The girl appeared to have been
ill-treated and she ran away. A
search being instituted she was
eventually found in a matchbox living
with a man. Two days ago she
ran away again, this time with defendant
who worked in a tea shop where the
girl lived. They were found on a
lunch bound for Nam Tau, where the
girl said she was going to look for her
mother.

After evidence has been heard, His
Worship remanded the case to Wednes-
day the 12th instant, fixing bail at
\$1,000.

CHINESE REVENUE OFFICER DISAPPEARS.

A Chinese revenue officer who was
charged with the larceny of 50 taels
of opium while in his capacity as a
public servant failed to appear at
the Magistrate's afternoon when his
case was called.

His Worship (Mr. Dyer Ball)
ordered the bail to be estreated and
directed that a warrant should be
issued for the man's arrest.

THE ASSAULT CASE.

The case was resumed yesterday
afternoon in which six Chinese were
charged with assaulting one other
Chinese at Yau-mai on the 14th Aug.
last.

Mr. Mattingly appeared for the
defence of the first defendant and Mr.
M. K. Lo appeared for the prosecution.
A Chinese engineer, formerly em-
ployed on the steam launch "On
Hing," giving evidence said: "So
could recognize two of the defend-
ants as having been amongst those

who attacked complainant. He tried
to separate them, but was knocked
down and he then ran away. He did
not know if the complainant had a
knife. He and the complainant did not
go out deliberately to attack the defend-
ants. He had known complainant for
over ten years and they were good
friends.

The first defendant giving evidence
said that he was a coolie on Revenue
launch No. 1. He had been eight years
in the Government service and had a
long record of good service. He had
never been summoned for assault
before. He had gone that evening to
consult a doctor with regard to
his eyes which were giving him some
trouble. When he returned from the
medicine shop he was set on by a
crowd, headed by the complainant. He
had been blackmailed by complainant,
who threatened to stab him if he did
not pay the money asked for. Com-
plainant's story of the alleged opium
conspiracy was a pack of lies.

After hearing further evidence His
Worship discharged two of the defend-
ants, and bound over the complainant
and the three remaining defendants in
a personal bond of \$100 of one surety
each, to keep the peace for six months.

SHIPPING PROFITS.

MR. BONAR LAW ACCUSED OF TURNING KING'S EVIDENCE.

\$250,000,000 PROFIT LAST YEAR.

On behalf of the shipowners, Mr.
Houston, in the House of Commons
recently, on the third reading of the
Finance Bill, entered a protest against
the selection of one class of the community
for special and punitive legislation.

Shipping freights, he said, had hardly
anything to do with the rise in the price
of food. Most of the British tonnage was
run at Blue-book rates and was requisi-
tioned by the Government, and, there-
fore, as a fact, it was the Government
itself that was the profiteer. Everything
above the Blue-book rate which a ship
carried, went to the Government, and
was satisfied with that, the Government
instructed some shippers to charge higher
freights. The Chancellor of the Exche-
quer's speech in Committee was most
unfortunate, and would do an infinite
amount of harm. The ships he spoke of
were tramp steamers of a small kind not
subject to Blue-book rates. After he had
had his dividends for two years, and
after the steamers had been requisitioned,
he had turned King's evidence. For two
years he had been in power, and could
have remedied these infamous inequities,
but he had found salvation and reputa-
tion somewhat late.

Mr. Bartley Dennis said the amount
of the profits earned by British shipping
last year was £250,000,000, and, after
paying excess profits and income tax, the
average profit declared was 74 per cent.
Such figures could not be answered.

ANCHOR LINE'S £996,000 PROFIT.

The Anchor Line, of Glasgow, have
declared a dividend of 10 per cent. on the
ordinary shares, with a bonus of 10 per
cent., both free of tax. The profits
totalled £366,000 after meeting deprecia-
tion, but the report does not disclose the
latter figure. There is carried forward
£146,000, an increase of nearly £40,000;
a special reserve is also formed for
war taxation and contingencies.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

ENTRIES FOR GYMKHANA, SEPTEMBER 16th.

The Entries for the Fourth Gym-
khana Meeting of the Season are as
follows:—
Five Foursome Races:—Tittlemouse,
Social Scheme, Yid, Anticipation,
Billikin, First Violin (Ariel). Ben
Bolt, Whipper In, Ploughedfield, Rex.
Distance Handicap:—Tom Cobleigh,
Sonsyobra, Bing Boy, Social Scheme,
Tempe, Chieftain, Ben Bolt, Whipper
In, Green Elevator.
One and a Quarter Mile Handicap:—
Windsor Dahlia, Choice Dahlia, Tittle-
mouse, Australian Chief, Pingwa Chief,
King Dick, Town Mouse, Yid, Anticipation,
Ploughedfield.

Class Handicap:—Choice Dahlia, Tittle-
mouse, Pingwa Chief, King Dick, Town
Mouse, Yid, Hush Hush, Anticipation,
Billikin, First Violin (Ariel). Ben
Bolt, Whipper In, Ploughedfield, Rex.
Distance Handicap:—Tom Cobleigh,
Sonsyobra, Bing Boy, Social Scheme,
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mouse, Australian Chief, Pingwa Chief,
King Dick, Town Mouse, Yid, Anticipation,
First Violin (Ariel). Ben Bolt,
Whipper In, Ploughedfield, Rex.

RHODESIA'S FINE WAR RECORD.

Rhodesia's fine part in the war is told
in a dispatch from the High Commis-
sioner for South Africa, published as a
supplement to the "London Gazette."
It was a remarkable achievement in
the circumstances for Rhodesia, within
nine months of the outbreak of war, to
have secured its borders against inva-
sion, and in addition to have furnished
two regiments of European infantry for
service in distant fields. Including those
who went to England, independently to
offer their services by the middle of 1918
not less than 40 per cent. of the adult
male white population were on active
service in some part of Africa or Eu-
rope, and having been amongst those

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs. Snowman & Co.'s Freight Cir-
cular, which is dated 1st September,
says:—

We last reported on 18th ult., since
when our market has remained very
quiet and only a very small volume of
business has been transacted. Time-
charter rates still keep their abnormally
high level and business has been trans-
acted during the interval, on time basis,
at over \$30.00 per ton per month for one
year. When we last went to press, the
rate Saigon/Hongkong stood at just
over a dollar per picul and this has
since weakened, fixtures of two medium
sized regular coasters having been
negotiated at 1.00 and 98 cents per picul,
the latter for first half September haul-
ing. The coaster referred to in our
circular of 18th ult. fixed for round
business has been fixed again in the
same way at \$45.00 for second half
September hauling. Just previous to
going to press the market is very quiet
with very little demand.

Exports of rice from Saigon from 1st
January to 24th July, 1917, amount to
551,935 tons as compared with 617,007
tons for the same period last year.
Quotation for No. 2 White round rice
stands at \$3.69 per picul f.o.b. Sai-
gon for August to September shipment.

Saigon/Java and Saigon/Japan.—We
have nothing to report.

Saigon/Philippines.—Enquiries are
still in the market and small tonnage
could probably be placed at \$1.40 per
picul.

Bangkok/Hongkong.—The rate in
this direction has, if anything, shown a
slightly weakening tendency during the
last two days although a medium sized
regular coaster has accepted a very stiff
rate for round trip business and further
offers, as high as \$70.00, have been made.
Suezway/Canton.—Still remains
with no business reported.

Coal.—Demand still continues as per
our last advice. No local business is
reported beyond the fixture of a regular
coaster Hongkong/Pulo Brani at \$17.50 per
ton.

Sail Tonnage Loading or to Load.—NIL.

THE DIOCESE OF VICTORIA AND NATIONAL SERVICE.

The Bishop contributes to "Church
Notes" the following further notes on

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

ENGINEER COMPANY.

Detail of Duties at Lyceum from 1st to 15th September is posted at Headquarters.

PARADES.

Friday, 7th September.—7.30 a.m. Belchers' Section (Gun Numbers as detailed at Belchers' Barracks).

5.30 p.m. Artillery Battery (Layers and Setters only) at Belchers' Battery.

5.30 p.m. Right Section M.G. Co. at Headquarters under unit Commander. Details of Elementary Training.

5.30 p.m. Recruits at all units on Monday Parade Ground under Corps, Grimes, Aldridge and Edmunds and Lee-Croft, Major.

5.30 p.m. Signalling Section "A" and "B" classes at Happy Valley. (Relief-Graph and Flag Section work).

Saturday, 8th September.—7.10 a.m. Scouts Company (men detailed by Serjt. Major Ramsay) at Headquarters. Details of Elementary Training.

4.30 p.m. Special Parade at Headquarters for members of the Corps (Infantry) unable to attend drills order on 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 7th September. (One N.C.O. from each unit sending men will attend).

On duty 6th Sept.: Centre Section M.G. Co.

On duty 7th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 8th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 9th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 10th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 11th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 12th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 13th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 14th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 15th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 16th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 17th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 18th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 19th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 20th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 21st Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 22nd Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 23rd Sept.: Scouts Company.

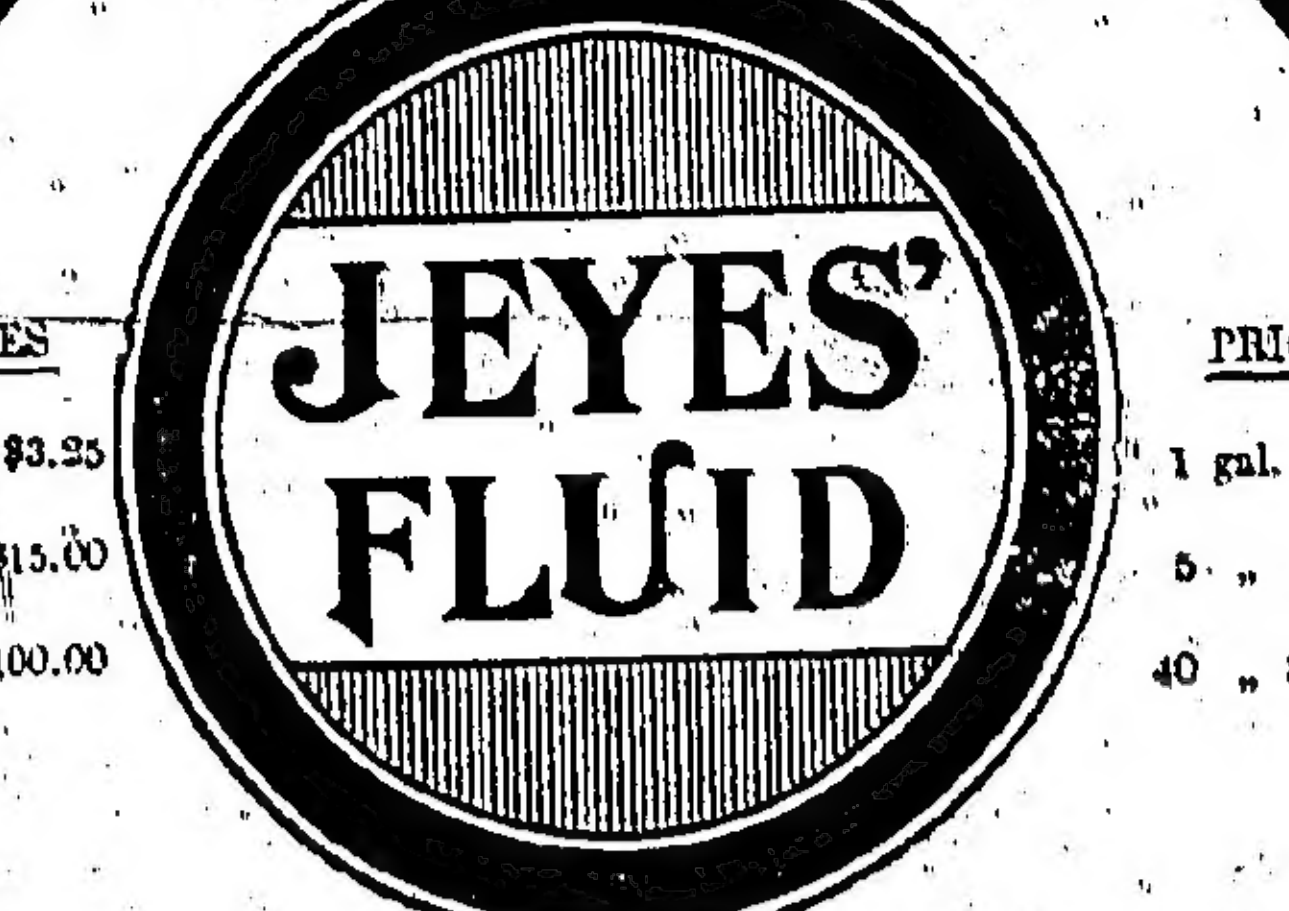
On duty 24th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 25th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 26th Sept.: Scouts Company.

On duty 27th Sept.: Scouts Company.

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Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Morocco, cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

OUTWARD MAILS. Registered and Parcel Mails close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below, unless otherwise stated.

Mails will close for: SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via NAGASAKI, CANADA, UNITED STATES, CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA, EUROPE Via SAN FRANCISCO.

Per *Shingo Maru*, Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 7th Sept.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA. Per *Hakata*, at noon, on Friday, the 7th Sept.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA. Per *Yungkuang*, at 2 p.m., on Friday, the 7th Sept.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. Per *Yuenyang*, at 2 p.m., on Saturday, the 8th Sept.

HAIPHONG. Per *Takung*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 8th Sept.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA. Per *Yungkuang*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 8th Sept.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA Via KEELUNG. Per *Kaiyo Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 9th Sept.

HAIPHONG. Per *Kaiyo Maru*, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, the 11th Sept.

JAPAN Via MOU, HONOLULU, HILO, SAN FRANCISCO, SALINA CRUZ, BALBOA, CALLAO, ARICA, IQUIQUE & VALPARAISO.

Per *Amoy Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, the 11th Sept.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA. Per *Chenai*, at 2 p.m., on Tuesday, the 11th Sept.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN Via KOBE, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO.

Per *Equador*, Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 12th Sept.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA. (Europe via Siberia). Per *Sinkang*, Registration at 2.15 p.m. Letters at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 13th Sept.

(Shanghai Chit. P.O. Monday, 17th Sept.)

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, VIA PORT DARWIN, & NEW GUINEA Via THURSDAY ISLAND.

Registration at 10.15 a.m. Letters at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 14th Sept.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA. Per *Hat Hong*, at noon, on Friday, the 14th Sept.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Barometer ... 29.71, 29.76, 29.78

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 6th at 11.10.—No returns from Japanese stations. Pressure has decreased quickly at Vladivostok, slightly over Formosa and Luzon, and has increased slightly to moderately elsewhere. It is probably highest in the Pacific to the south of Japan. A depression is crossing S. Manchuria and an area of relatively low pressure covers Indo-China. There are still indications of a typhoon to the east of Luzon; it is probably moving very slowly.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.80 inch. Total since January 1st, 73.01 inches, against an average of 67.85 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 7th September:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: E. and S. E. winds, moderate; fair generally.

2.—Formosa Channel: N. winds, moderate.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1917.—a.m.

Station. Hour. Temperature. Humidity. Wind. Weather.

WVestock ... 58.58, 68, 72, 8 or

Memuro ... 58.58, 68, 72, 8 or

Hakodate ... 58.58, 68, 72, 8 or

Tokio ... 58.58, 68, 72, 8 or

Kobe ... 58.58, 68, 72, 8 or

Nagasaki ... 58.58, 68, 72, 8 or

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SHARE REPORT.

SEPTEMBER 6TH, 1917.

Stock and paid up Value. Q'tions 11.30 A.M. Last Dividend and date. Approximate return based on 1st year's div.

BANKS.

Hongkong & Shanghai ... \$375 s.

Interim of 22-3/4 s/c 1917.

6 1/2 p.c.

MARINE INSURANCE.

Canton ... \$50 \$350

North China ... \$25 T. 100

Union ... \$100 \$800 a.

Yangtze ... \$60 \$190

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China Fire ... \$20 \$133

Hongkong Fire ... \$60 \$300

SHIPPING.

Douglas Steamship ... \$50 \$51

Steamboat ... \$15 \$17

Indo-China ... \$25 \$33

Shell Transport ... \$1 106/8 b.

Star Ferry ... \$10 \$23

REFINERIES.

China Sugar ... \$100 \$92

Malacca Sugar ... \$30 \$23

MINING.

Kailash ... \$1 40/ b.

Langkat ... \$10 T. 14 a.

Rauha ... \$21 \$2.60 a.

Troch Mines ... \$21 \$2/8

Ural Caspian ... \$1 32

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.

Kowloon Wharves ... \$50 \$74

H.K. & Whampoa Docks ... \$113

Shanghai Docks ... \$17. 10. 1.76

HOTELS, LANDS AND BUILDINGS.

Hongkong Hotels ... \$5 \$94/ b.

Central Estate ... \$10 \$30. b.

Hongkong Lands ... \$101 \$88 b.

Humphreys Estate ... \$11 \$8 b.

Kowloon Lands ... \$750 \$28

West Point ... \$50 \$78 b.

Shanghai Lands ... \$5 T. 92

COTTON MILLS.

Ewe ... \$50 T. 180 a.

Shanghai Cottons ... \$50 T. 129 b.

Kung Tse ... \$10 T. 144 b.

Yongtze ... \$5 T. 51 a.

Oriental ... \$7.38 b.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Cina-Borneo ... \$12 \$4

Light & Powers ... \$5 \$44

Chia-Provident ... \$10 \$74 b.

Dairy Farms ... \$5 \$23

Green Islands ... \$73 \$7.10

Hongkong Electric ... \$10 \$48

Hongkong Ice ... \$22 \$140

Hongkong Ropes ... \$10 \$28/ b.

Hongkong Tramways ... \$8 a.

H.K. Steel Foundry ... \$104 b.

Peak Tramways ... \$10 \$29 s.

Union Waterworks ... \$7 \$13.

Wassons ... \$11 \$2

William Powell ... \$2 \$84 a.

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